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MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Intelligence Information Staff

ATTN : Reading Panel

THRU : Chief, Trade Branch

FROM : Chief, FE Section

SUBJECT : Reading Requirements for S/TF/FE

It is requested that all documents containing the following information be forwarded to S/TF/FE on a continuing basis:

A. The actual or planned value, volume, and general commodity composition of total Asian Bloc* foreign trade (imports and exports) for monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or yearly periods (in monetary, physical, or percentage terms).

B. The actual or planned value, volume, and general commodity composition of trade; trade and other economic agreements; trade missions and fairs; financial transactions, and all other economic relations
1. of Communist China with the following countries:

Albania	United States	Ireland	Spain
Bulgaria	[REDACTED]	Italy	Yugoslavia
Czechoslovakia	Austria	Netherlands	Hong Kong
East Germany	Belgium 25X6A	Norway	[REDACTED]
Poland	Luxembourg	Portugal	Japan 25X6A
Hungary	Denmark 25X6A	Sweden	Taiwan
Rumania	France	Switzerland	[REDACTED]
USSR	[REDACTED]	Turkey	New Zealand
	Greece 25X6A	[REDACTED]	
	Iceland	Finland	

and 2. of North Korea, North Vietnam, and Outer Mongolia with all countries.

C. Asian Bloc Trade and Foreign Economic Policies - analyses, expositions, or other information regarding Asian Bloc trade and foreign economic policies or changes therein, past, present, and future.

* Asian Bloc includes Communist China, North Korea, North Vietnam, and Outer Mongolia. Documents are also required which relate from one of these Asian Bloc countries to another.

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D. Asian Bloc Foreign Trade Organizations - all information, including charts, listings, and rosters, indicating the functions, methods of operation, personalities involved, and reports of meetings of such organizations as The Ministry of Foreign Trade and all Asian Bloc import and export monopolies, as well as Asian Bloc activities in international economic organizations (e.g., Council for Economic Mutual Assistance, CEMA, and the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, ECAFE), and planning activities in foreign trade and international finance.

E. Economic Control - information on control exercised by the USSR over Asian Bloc economies (and by Communist China over North Korea, North Vietnam, and Outer Mongolia) and examples of economic integration, coordination or cooperation involving the Asian Bloc economies.

F. Asian Bloc International Financial Activities - all information on overseas holdings and investments; gold and foreign exchange reserves; gold sales and precious metals sales; foreign exchange rates; foreign trade prices and pricing mechanisms; and the value of overseas remittances to Communist China from all Free World countries.

G. Any publications and studies of a general economic nature relating to Asian Bloc countries.